

THE SINS OF CERTAINTY Part 4: "Trust Me, Bro!"

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"And it is <u>impossible to please God without</u> <u>faith</u>. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that <u>he rewards</u> <u>those who sincerely seek him</u>." **Hebrews 11:6** (NLT)

"Do <u>I hear you professing to believe</u> in the one and only God, but then observe you complacently sitting back as if you had done something wonderful? That's just great. <u>Demons do that, but what good does it do</u> <u>them?</u> Use your heads! Do you suppose for a minute that you can <u>cut faith and works in two</u> and not end up with a corpse on your hands?" James 2:19-20 (MSG)

"Because you're <u>not yet taking God seriously</u>," said Jesus. 'The simple truth is that if you had a <u>mere kernel of faith, a poppy seed</u>, say, you would tell this mountain, 'Move!' and it would move. There is nothing you wouldn't be able to tackle.""

Matthew 17:20 (MSG)

BLOSSOMING FAITH WILL TRUST GOD EVEN WHEN...

1. ...I CAN'T SEE THE _____ OF HAPPENING.

"Jesus said to him, 'Come to me.' So Peter got down out of the boat. He walked on the water and he came towards Jesus. <u>But then Peter</u> <u>saw</u> that <u>the wind was still blowing strongly</u>. He <u>became afraid</u> and he began to go down into the water. He shouted to Jesus, 'Lord, save me!' Immediately Jesus put out his hand and he took hold of Peter. He said to Peter, 'You should <u>trust me more than you do.</u> Why <u>did you</u> <u>not believe</u> that I could help you?"

Matthew 14:29-31 (EASY)

"<u>Some people hope</u> that their <u>chariots</u> will keep them <u>safe</u>. Other people <u>trust their horses</u> to <u>save them</u>. But we will trust in the name of the Lord our God."

Psalm 20:7 (EASY)

2. ...I CAN'T SEE THE _____ OF _____ OF

"God, the one and only—<u>I'll wait as long as he</u> <u>says</u>. Everything I need <u>comes from him</u>, so why not? He's solid rock under my feet, breathing room for my soul, An impregnable castle: <u>I'm set for life</u>. How long will you gang up on me? How long will you run with the bullies? There's nothing to you, any of you rotten floorboards, worm-eaten rafters, Anthills plotting to bring down mountains, far gone in make-believe. You talk a good line, but every "blessing" breathes a curse. God, the one and only—<u>I'll wait as long as he says</u>. Everything I hope for comes from him, so why not? He's solid rock under my feet, breathing room for my soul, An impregnable castle: <u>I'm set for life</u>." **Psalm 62:1-6** (MSG)

"<u>Don't be anxious about things</u>; instead, pray. Pray about everything. He longs to hear your requests, so talk to God about your needs and be thankful for what has come. And know that the peace of God (a <u>peace that is beyond any</u> <u>and all of our human understanding</u>) will stand watch over <u>your hearts and minds</u> in Jesus, the Anointed One."

Philippians 4:6-7 (TVB)

3. ...I CAN'T SEE THE _____ OF ____ OF ____ HAPPENING.

"Where do you think your fighting and endless conflict come from? Don't you think that they originate in the constant pursuit of gratification that rages inside each of you like an uncontrolled militia? You crave something that you do not possess, so you murder to get it. You desire the things you cannot earn, so you sue others and fight for what you want. You do not have because you have chosen not to ask. And when you do ask, you still do not get what you want because your motives are all wrong—because you continually focus on self-indulgence."

"He does not fear bad news, nor live in dread of what may happen. For <u>he is settled in his</u> <u>mind</u> that <u>Jehovah will take care</u> of him." **Psalm 112:7** (TLB)

"You will keep in <u>perfect peace all who trust in</u> <u>you</u>, all whose thoughts are <u>fixed on you</u>!" Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)